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In re Patent Application of:  
Michael D. Ellis

Application No.: 09/605,683

Confirmation No.: 5787

Filed: June 26, 2000

Art Unit: 2623

For: INTERACTIVE TELEVISION SYSTEM  
WITH NEWSGROUPS

Examiner: D. D. Saltarelli

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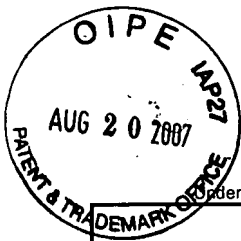
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Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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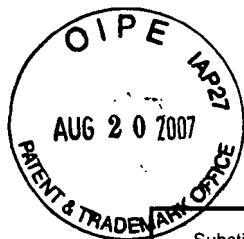
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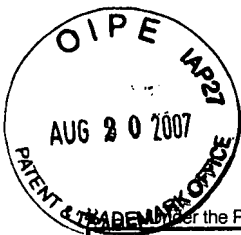
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